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Application No. **PCT/IB01/01305** under)

35 U.S.C. 371, for **METHOD FOR**

SETTING UP A DIALYSIS TREATMENT

IN A DIALYSIS MACHINE

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please add claims 12 and 13 as follows:

12. (New) Device for setting up a dialysis treatment comprising a microprocessor, a data input and a screen, the device being able to perform a method as claimed in claim 1.

13. (New) A machine comprising:

an apparatus for preparing a dialysate;

a dialysate circuit;

a blood circuit; and

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a filter connected to the apparatus and the blood circuit, and further comprising a device for setting up a dialysis treatment according to claim 12.

REMARKS

Claims 12 and 13 have been added. No new matter has been introduced by these amendments. The examiner is respectfully requested to consider the above preliminary amendment prior to examination of the application.

If there is any fee due in connection with the filing of this Preliminary Amendment, please charge the fee to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

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